

VISITING YEW DELL



YEW DELL BOTANICAL GARDENS

- **FREE ACTIVITIES** - For the actively inquisitive, the Garden Gift Shop offers FREE scavenger hunts and Backactivities. If books are your bag, checkout a "Bag, Book & Blanket".
- **PHOTOGRAPHY** - Photography is welcome. Please call or visit our website for photo policies.
- **TOURS** - We welcome scheduled group tours. Please call us to schedule yours today.
- **GARDEN ETIQUETTE** - Please avoid walking in garden beds and climbing trees. No flower picking, please.
- **NO SMOKING** - Yew Dell is a smoke-free environment.
- **PETS** - We love our furry friends and welcome them on designated days and times. Please call for a current schedule. Service animals are always welcome.

ADMISSION:

January & February are FREE!

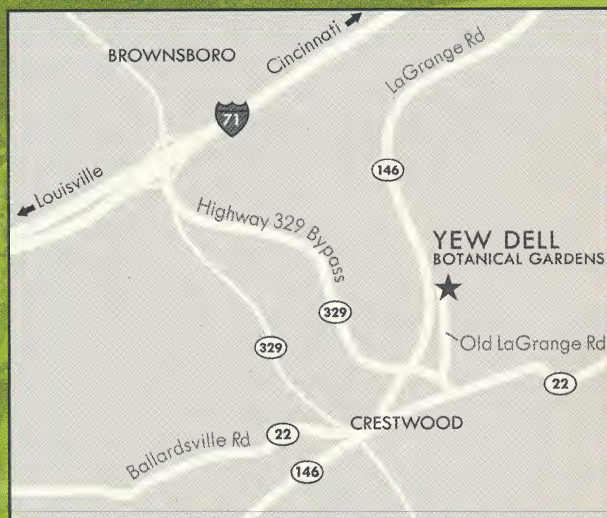
Adults - \$7

Seniors (over 55) - \$5

Children (under 12) - FREE

Active Military - FREE

Members are FREE during open hours all year.



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A GROWING HISTORY

Beginning with 34 acres of Oldham County farmland in 1941, **Theodore and Martha Lee Klein** spent the next 50-plus years developing their family farm, successful commercial nursery and an extensive collection of plants and gardens.

Known locally, nationally, and internationally as a **first-rate plantsman**, Klein was one of the leaders of the regional nursery/landscape industry. He was also a **self-taught artisan** who personally crafted the buildings and gardens that became known as Yew Dell. He introduced more than **60 new plant varieties** for the garden.

Almost immediately following Klein's death in 1998, development pressures began to threaten the property. Fortunately, a group formed to purchase the land and develop it into a public **botanical garden**.

Yew Dell Botanical Gardens has now emerged as a thriving botanical garden with local, national and international reach. In 2012 Yew Dell was designated (by *Horticulture Magazine*) as one of the top 10 destination gardens in the U.S. and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

With more than 1,200 members and 250 volunteers, the gardens serve as a major center of gardening, research and education, as well as a significant community asset and tourist destination.



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KEEP YEW DELL GROWING!

ENJOY!

Display gardens, diverse plant collections, unique architecture old and new, hiking trails, garden events, the Garden Gift Shop, sculpture shows, children's activities...and a whole lot more!

Yew Dell Botanical Gardens is a partnership project of the Garden Conservancy, a national non-profit organization founded to help preserve America's exceptional gardens.

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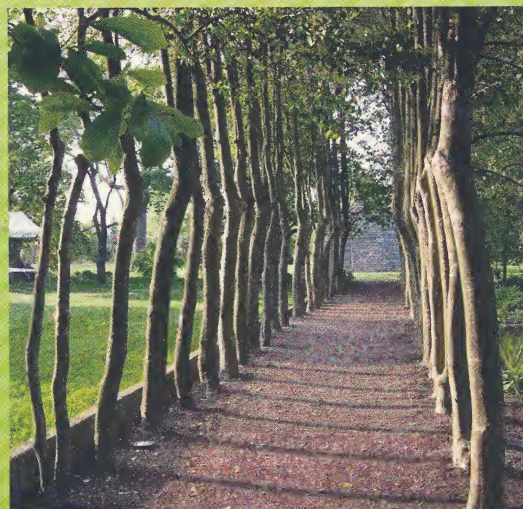
Opportunities abound for: children and beginners, connoisseurs and pros. We cover it all: from begonias to beans, turf to trees. Our Saturday morning program, *Children in the Dell*, introduces children to the wonders of nature and the garden. Our wide range of classes covers all levels of interest from basic to professional. If it's part of the garden, you'll find a class at Yew Dell!

JOIN!

Join today to show your support for Yew Dell! You'll not only help us expand our programs—you'll also enjoy many member benefits including: FREE admission to over 260 botanical gardens in the U.S., Canada, Cayman and Virgin Islands, discounts in the Garden Gift Shop, on classes and event tickets, and more!

VOLUNTEER!

Learn new things, meet new friends and support Yew Dell. If you have time to give, we need your help. While we love experienced volunteers, we're happy to provide all the training you'll need...it's what we do! Contact us for details.



DISCOVER...OUR GARDENS

1. Visitor Center and Garden Gift Shop: Housed inside the historic tobacco barn, the award-winning architecture of the Visitor Center serves as the welcome point for the gardens. Pick up orientation materials, purchase a membership and browse an outstanding selection of garden-related merchandise, children's gifts, snacks and more in the Garden Gift Shop.

2. Castle: This 1950s structure with wrought-iron chandeliers and stone carvings was hand-built by Theodore Klein and served as the pool house for the Klein family. The Castle is now used for meetings, classes and small rentals.

3. Castle Terrace: The original built-in pool was located on this spot—complete with windows that allowed Klein's children to swim underwater and wave to the cows in the field below. The terrace now provides a view to the Overlook Garden, Meadow and Woodland.

4. Sunken Garden: One of the oldest gardens on the grounds, it contains plants designed to give the feel of an alpine environment, but includes plants from such widely spread climes as the Himalayan Mountains, deserts of Southwest, across North and Central America and everywhere in between.

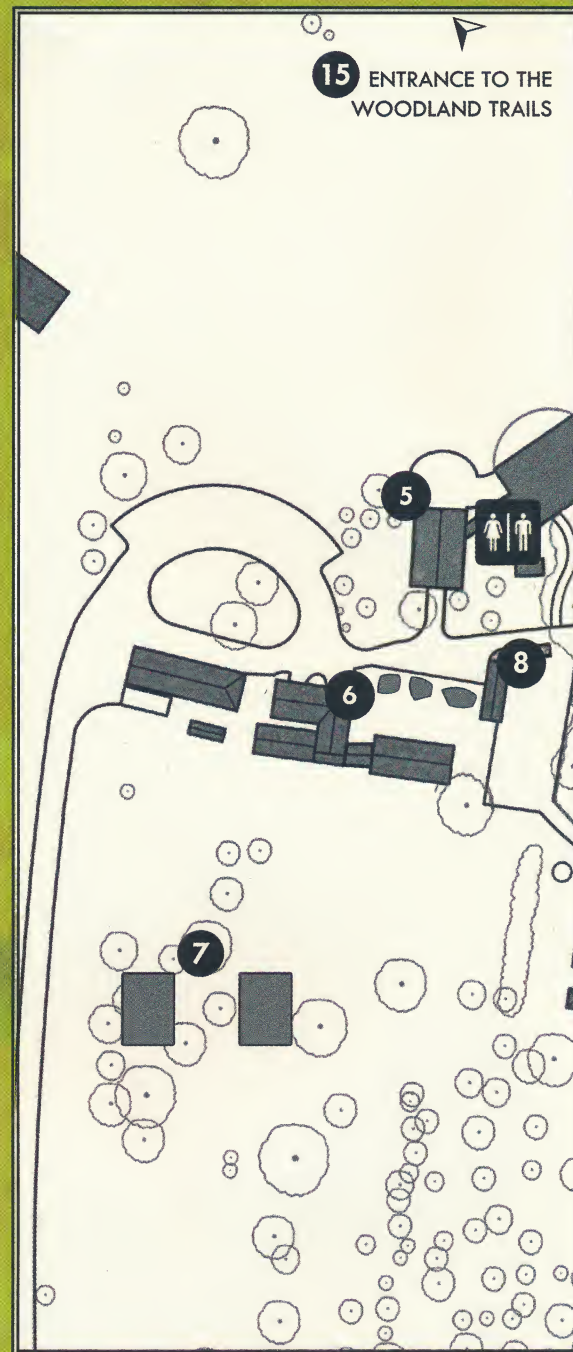
5. Gheens Barn and Peyton Samuel Head Trust Pavilion: Originally used for hay storage and livestock stalls, the barn was redesigned in 2005 to house classes, lectures, workshops and a variety of rental events. The Pavilion provides views of the meadow and woods below and is wonderful for events. Public Restroom location.

6. Mary Peabody and Henry Fitzhugh Greenhouse and Preston T. Ormsby Horticulture Center: The ultra-efficient solar/geothermal greenhouse is a state-of-the-art facility designed for plant production and propagation, display and education programs. The green roof provides a year-round display and offers excellent insulation.

7. Research and Production Nurseries

8. Rock House: This Klein-built structure was used as a loading dock for the Klein nursery. Complete with fish-scale slate roof, imbedded millstones and hand-carved corner stone, it is an excellent example of Klein's craftsmanship.

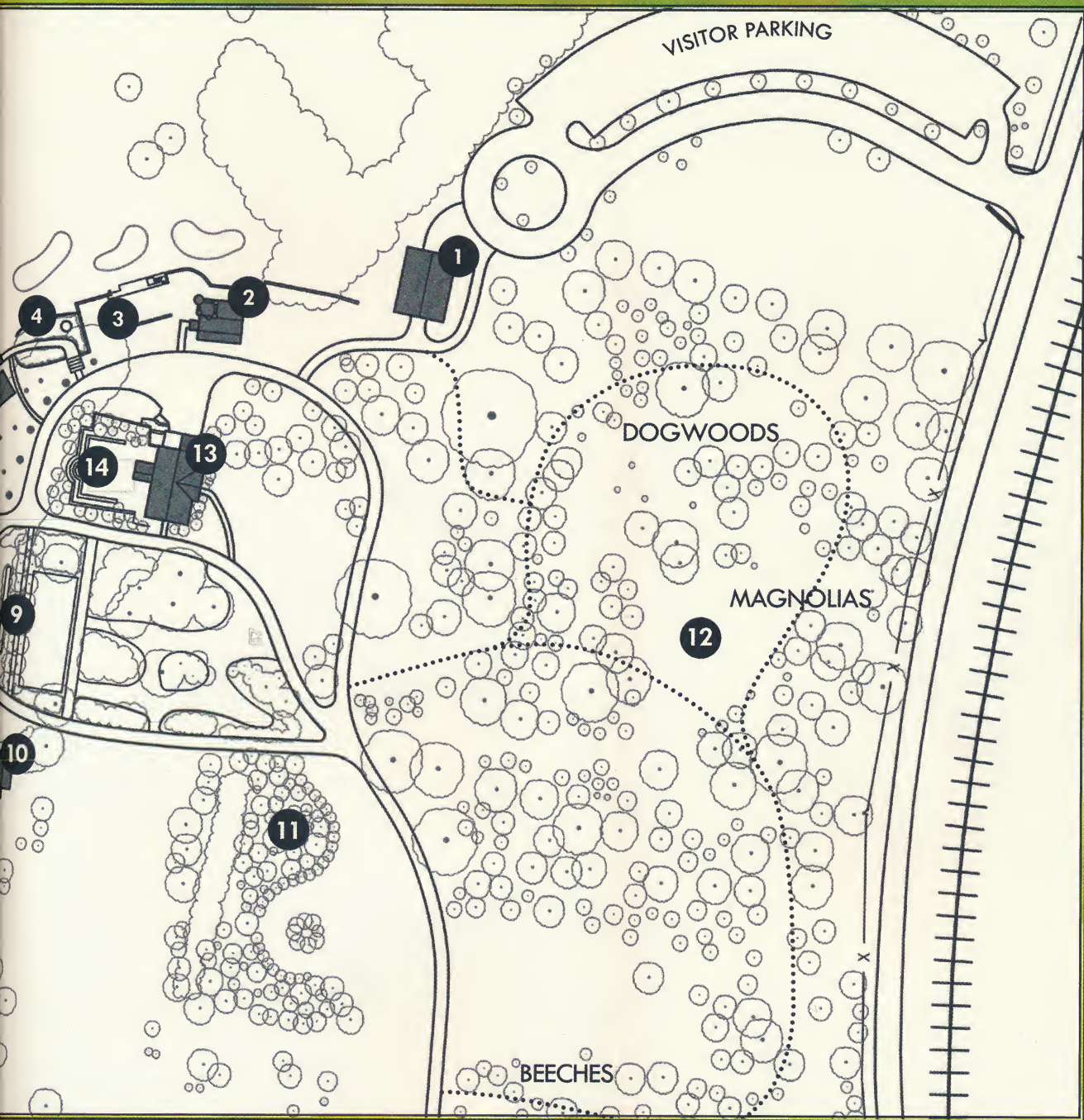
9. Secret Garden and Holly Allee: Formerly one of Klein's sun gardens, this space now holds a diverse collection of shade plants. The Holly Allee consists of two rows of *Ilex opaca* 'Klein No1' (American Holly) that Klein trained into an evergreen tunnel—and the only access to the Secret Garden.



10. Log Cabin: This 1800s structure was moved to the site and is used for housing for some of Klein's nursery workers, and is used since.

11. Serpentine Garden: Klein designed this garden to grow a diverse collection of evergreen shrub collections in the region. Extensive collections of *Cedrus*, *Magnolia*, *Viburnum*, *Ilex* (holly) and more offer a year-round display.

12. Arboretum: This is a delightful place for a quiet walk and a collection of shrub collections in the region. Extensive collections of *Cedrus*, *Magnolia*, *Viburnum*, *Ilex* (holly) and more offer a year-round display.



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13. Klein Home/Yew Dell Offices: Built by Theodore Klein in the late 1940s, it served as the family's home and nursery office. Today, the house serves as Yew Dell's main offices.

14. Walled Garden: This space was built along the house and provided exceptional garden views from inside.

15. Woodland Trails: One mile of trails wind their way by ponds and a beaver dam. Located at the southeast corner of the meadow below the Overlook Garden.